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II. RIEMAN DEVAL, New York, Oct. 2, 1962.

### COPPER STOCKS ABSORB WALL STREET'S ATTENTION.

ONE-THIRD OF DAY'S BUSI-NESS IN AMALGAMATED.

Prospect of Greatly Diminished Reserves in New York Banks

New York, Oct. 23.-Amalgamated Copper absorbed an overwhelming proportion of to-day's business in the stock market. in this stock were larger than in all others third of the aggregate sales of the day. The day's total showed a considerable suce but a negative significance could be drawn from the day's market. On this basis of interpretation, the market must to the day's disturbing factor, as bas been of the professional traders there was an backset received by the Amalgamated

ervative market attitude on the part of he Standard Oil party. As the profes-ional element lays great stress most the upposed attitude of the so-called leading interests, this inference caused some sen-But the professional impression was somewhat confused in this regard by the action of Standard Oll itself on the curb. Section of Standard Oil itself on the curb. This stock sold first at 6 points over the previous close at \$38, and later at \$45, the closing being at \$30 bid. There was a very excited market for Amalgamated Copper at first. At the opening 1£500 shares were intown upon the market for simultaneous raies, which were made at \$354 down to \$156. Within the first few minutes of the 1 ding from 30 000 to \$6,000 shares changed units. The manifest inside support for an stock then became effective and raited it a point. Its fluctuations were constant and feverish during the whole of the day, carrying it back to the opening low point, then completely recovering and closing at a net decline of \$5. The decision to shut down the company's works in Montana pending the decision on appeal of the litigation presents a situation whose seriousness to the corporation can hardly

seriousness to the corporation can hardly be grinsaid. The principals to the contest exchanged during the day. But the impression gained force nevertheless that the accumulation of the stock was of a mustantial character, and the supply of the selling showed some falling off in consequence. The overcast of the week's currency movement had a rather depressing effect on the ite market, as it indicated a decrease in severes of between three and four milion dollars. It is evident, however, that has is mostly accounted for by the special accounted for this and for me heavy demand from New Orleans, it is any evident that the westward movement of currency is still insignificant. New ork exchange at Chicago, however, is selluing. London's renewed uncasiness err the far Fastern situation has some

tically stagmant and showed generally small net losses.

There is a continued absorption of bonds at rising prices. New York Central General 2½c advanced to-day within a shade of par. When this bond broke par early in July it was regarded as a shieter development. The price subsequently fell to 35. The greater part of its recovery has been made within the last few days, along with the awakened general interest to the bond market. Total sales of bonds, par value, were \$2,25,99. United States 2s decimed 3, per cent on the last call. tically stagment and showed generally

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	Do pfd	13
	Bay State Gas	7.36
	Storden's Condensed Milk com	216
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91	British Columbia Copper	4.2
	Electric Boat com	2
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Chicago Stock Market. Reported by G. H. Walker & Co., No. 207 forth Fourth street.

Government Bonds.

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Reported by the New York Commercial Ad-

Reported by the New York Commercial Advertiser through Francis, Bro. & Co., No. 22 North Fourth afrest.

Foreign—The early cables showed a lower range of prices in London, duc, it was said, to the more threatening situation in the far East. In the case of American stocks the declining tradency become more promounced, as the result of selling by New York. The arbitrage bouses traded moutly on the selling side, though the London market followed outs very closesy. All took the arbitrageness soid about 5,000 shares on balance out of a total of 10,000 shares.

The Metal Markets.

New York, Oct. II—There was an advance of the fid in the London tin market, where my to cover at till the fid and futures at tills or got the cover at till the fid and futures at tills or got the cover at till the fid and futures at the first and the fore was also firmer, with the tonus sold for Nov delivery at 25.56c; ten tons at 26c for the same morth, and it tons spot at 800c. Spot the futures in the London market, and was rather firmer here; take is quoted at 11.501. Lead was unchanged locally at 4.50c and in London acts to the London market, and was rather firmer here; take is quoted at 11.501. Lead was unchanged locally at 4.50c and in London and at 5. Speiter advanced as 6.1 in London and carried here in London, dull, 28 5.10 in Middle Color in London, dull, 28 5.10 in Middle Color in London, dull, 28 5.10 in Middle Color in London and carried here in London, dull, 28 5.10 in London and carried here in London, dull, 28 5.10 in London and carried here in London, dull, 28 5.10 in London and carried her

New York Money on call steady at 1971 per cent; closing bid 2; offered at 7%. Time loans saay; 30 days, 4 per cent; New York, 90 days, 4 per cent; New York, 1971 per page 1975 per page

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TRANSIT ALONE IS ACTIVE IN LOCAL SECURITY LIST.

OTHER STOCKS ARE NEG LECTED AND DULL.

Lack of Outside Interest and Light Buying Demand Restrict Trading.

Yesterday's session of the local Stock Exchange was extremely dull. Transit was the only issue traded in and mention of the banking issues was confined to offers. the banking issues was confined to oners. Treneft opened easy at 215.50 and rapidly sold down to 314.87%, which was the bid price at the close, United Railways pre-ferred was wanted at \$61.50 and held at \$52. The 4-per-cent bonds had \$78.75 bld and The 4-per-cent bonds dad \$48.75 bid and were offered at \$78.815.

Offers of banking lissues were about steady. Miscelanaeous stocks were inactive. Central Cook and Coke was bid up to \$51.75, with sellers asking \$52.

YESTERADY'S SESSION.

Closing quotations:		
	Bid.	Arked.
St. Louis Transit	1 54.87%	1.15.10
United Hallways pid	62.50	600,000
United Halverays 48	10.70	18.01%
Commonwealth Trust	parine	2:4.10
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circultury cubic 69	300.00	Add Street
Lacrone Gas Light Se	259-00	2212444
Mr. Louis Brewery as, inrgs	Decker	30.19
National Candy to, jat pid	28-4175	88.30
Simmons Haraware Co. com	45.40	\$95,000 Te/T: 000
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Central Coal and Coke	XX A	67.00
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STOCKS AND BONDS IN BOSTON.

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Mining Stocks in New York. New York, Oct. 31 - Closing quotations to-day on mining stocks were as follows:

Bond Sales at New York.

New York, Oct. 23.—Sales of bonds were made bere to-day as follows:

16.000 A., T. & S. P. gen. 6s. 150kg210

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11.000 Bait. & Ohio prior lies 3bg. 35kg 5s.

60.000 Baitlimore and Ohio 4s. 11 grinds

20.000 Bait. & Ohio prior lies 3bg. 35kg 5s.

10.000 Chicago and Alton 2s. 21 grinds

15.000 Chicago and Alton 2s. 25 grinds

15.000 Chicago

Foreign Exchange.

Prime sterling calles, \$15000.883; checks
Latropa \$25; 0 days \$25000.883; checks
Commarcial sterling, checks \$155500.1585; checks
days, \$255; 50 days \$350.

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Metropolitan—The strength of Metropolitan Street Railway and Metropolitan Securities was due chiefy to operations by the Waldorf. Astorical clique. The stocks were not abundant, and there was said to be a very considerable short interest. In addition to which there was said to be a very considerable short interest. In addition to which there was all to for pirchases of these stocks being many found win it was argued that the Metropolitan franchises would become very valuable.

E. & T. H.—One of the features was the seven-point advance in E. & T. H., caused almost entirely by insiders. There was no stock for asie all the price of the last sale, and the prospects.

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Metropolitan—The strength of Metropolitan Commercial Swiss frames, checks \$150; 60 days \$150; 60

Domestic Exchange.

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FIRM UNDERTONE PREVAILS IN CHICAGO GRAIN PITS.

WARLIKE NEWS STRENGTH ENS WHEAT PRICES.

Little Trade in Corn, but Market Is Helped by Reports of Frosts and Crop Damage.

Chicago, Oct. 22.-A firm undertone prerailed in the grain bit to-day, wheat prices cing upheld by the uncertainty of affairs in the far East, while corn was influenced by continued reports of damage by frost and clowing prices were up \$295gc on wheat, \$40 on corn and \$40 on core. Provisions closed stendy, the Jan, products being unchanged to Se higher. WHEAT.

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MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

New York, Oct. 21.—Piour—Receipts 12.015;
exports X.748; quiet but firm. Frys flour steady, disk. Common at least the case in the second and it cars through By ample, delivery to the control of the control of

# SUMMARY OF THE ST. LOUIS MARKETS.

Yesterday's session of the Merchants' Exchange was on; of the dullest of the year, There was practically no sutside interest and trading was confined to local professionals and speculators. The most important factor in a rather half-hearted advance was the strength of foreign markets on reports that the prospect of war between Russia and Japan had been increased by overnight developments. Though weather conditions were fairly good, local receipts were moderate, but there was little improvement in the cash inquiry. Cables came ligher, but lost some of the early advance. A short interest in Dec. was one of the buildsh factors. Though Northwestern receipts were fairly large, there was a good milling demand in Minneapolis, and Chicago traders were buying on every slight recession. Activity was mainly in the first hour. Succeeding duliness and liquidation caused the loss of a portion of the early gains toward

Corn was even duller than wheat. Moderate receipts, sympathy with wheat and

overing by shorts caused a moderate advance. Dec. wheat opened unchanged and closed tie up.

Dec. corn opened the up and closed the up. May onty closed unchanged.

Receipts of produce were moderate and prices of fruits and vegetables were firm. Local securities were extremely dull. St. Louis Transit was the only active issue, with sales on the downturn.

Yesterday's bank clearings were \$7.554,100, balances \$558,401. Discount rates were steady between 5 and 6 per cent.

Spot cotton was unchanged in the local market,

WHEAT VALUES HIGHER IN A DULL MARKET.

FACTOR.

Corn Has Some Strength on Light Receipts and Bullish Husking Returns.

In a decidedly dull market wheat and corn made slight gains yesterday. Local receipts were moderate and there was enough war talk to strengthen foreign prices. The Dec. short interest helped the upward movement. Though weather conditions were unsettled in the Northwest, receipts at Minneapolis and Duluth were on the increase. The advance was purely the increase. The advance was purely

ports from scattered sections of the country of inck of moisture, but the general information indicates that seeding and crop conditions of the new winter wheat The Modern Miller said: "There are reare entirely satisfactory. In the Southwest, particularly in Kansas, farmers are pressing sales of wheat, considerable of which is piled on the ground at country grains, and light offerings also helped to stations, as warehouse room is all filled, create a firmer sentiment. There was Lack of cars restricts the movement to market, yet some rouds are moving grain freely. Argentine shipments of wheat to Europe the past week reported at 244,000 bu, against 175,000 bu a week ago, and nil in less.

Dec. wheat opened unchanged and sold at: at:

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Though there was scarcely any trading the corn market was sustained by war news and the strength of wheat. Receipts were light, and nusking returns were milely builtsh.

were light, and musking returns were mildly buildsh.

Argentine shipments of corn to Europe the past week reported at 1.752.000 bu., against 1.912.000 bu. a week ago and 1.215.000 bu. In Bec.

Pec. corn opened 4c up and sold at:

Other corn opened 4c up and sold at:

Other corn opened 4c up and sold at:

Other bu., of wheat at St. Louis, 72.715 bu., of which 2.35 sks. and 6d cars local and 12 cars through, against 155.612 bu., of which 5.35 sks. and 6d cars local and 14 cars through, in Bec.

Heccipts of wheat at primary points 1.05.600 bu., against 1.25.000 bu. northwest received 568 cars, against 257.000 bu.

Northwest received 568 cars, against 706 cars in 1802. Chicago received 56.675 bu. and Mansas City 184.800 bu. Clearances 531.000 bu.

Beccipts of corn at St. Louis, 77.900 bu.

Stocks of Grain in Store.

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Barley 65 19.135 18.64 12.525 18.65 12.52
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Fruits and Vegetables.

WEEKLY BANK STATEMENT.

St. Louis Clearings \$50,420,301, an Increase of 2 Per Cent.

New York, Oct. 2.—The following tables compiled by Bradstreet, shows the bank clearings at the principal cities for the street one at the pards after was reflected in the hor products. Stearings at the principal cities for the street of Detober 2. with the percentage of Increase and decrease, as compared with the corresponding week last years of the cross of the corresponding week last years of the corre

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